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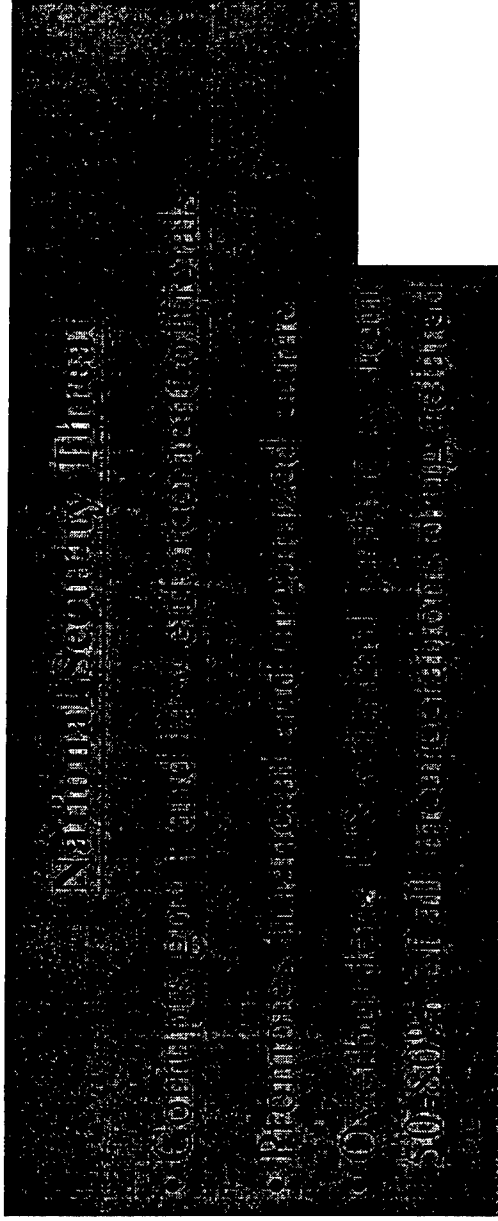
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International Drug Control Strategy

Based on the Drug Threat



Health Threat

- Drug abuse kills 52,000 Americans annually
- Emergency Room Visits - Nearly 300,000 annually

Economic Threat

- Taxpayer Cost: Nearly \$ 110B/Annually
- \$63.2B annually spent on drugs



National Drug Control Strategy

Five Goals

- I: Educate and enable America's youth to reject illegal drugs as well as alcohol and tobacco.**
- II: Increase the safety of America's citizens by substantially reducing drug-related crime and violence.**
- III: Reduce health and social costs to the public of illegal drug use.**
- IV: Shield America's air, land, and sea frontiers from the drug threat.**
- V: Break foreign and domestic drug sources of supply.**



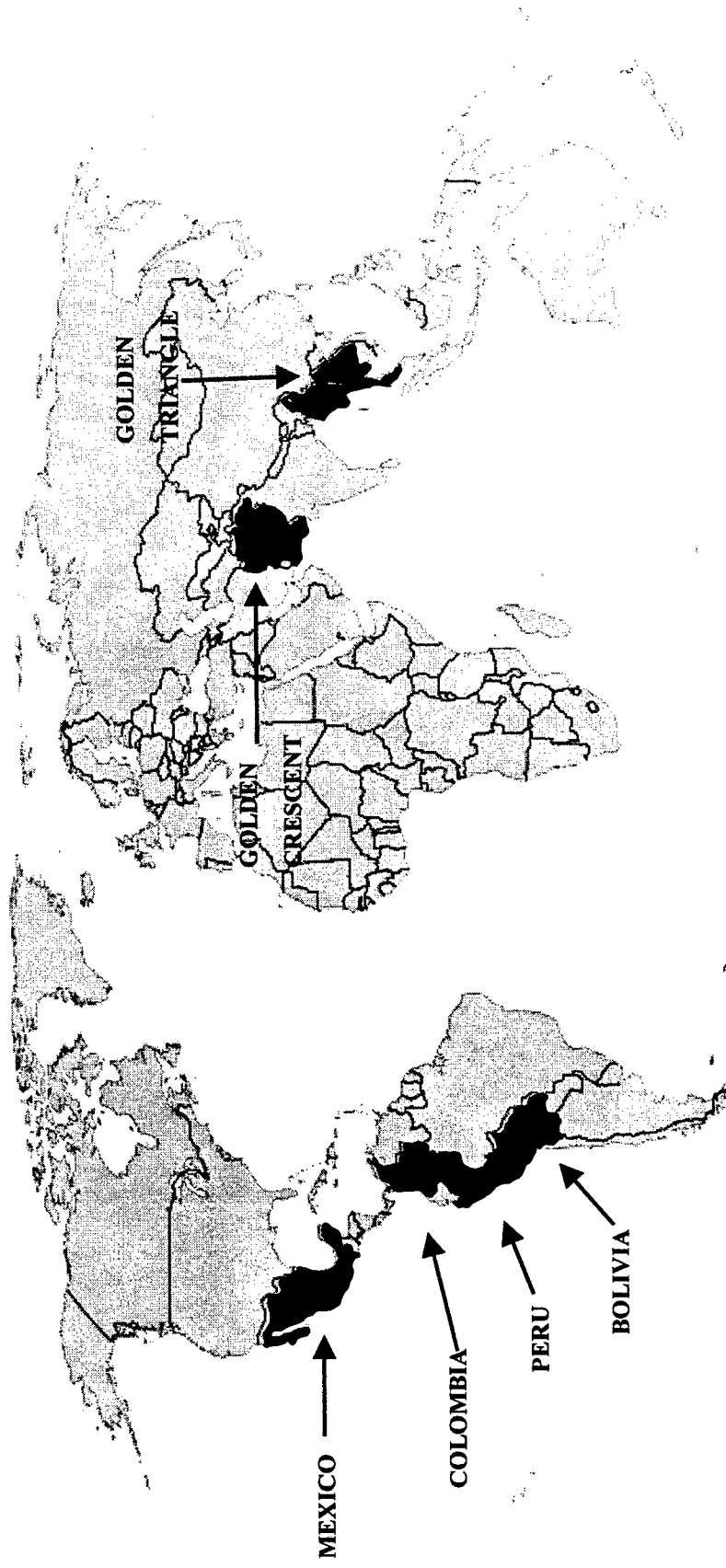
International Drug Control Priorities

- **Drug Priorities**
 - Cocaine
 - Heroin
 - Synthetics - increasing importance
 - Cannabis

 - **Geographic Priorities**
 - Colombia
 - Mexico
 - Peru
 - Bolivia
 - Burma, Afghanistan, Laos, Thailand
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Global Drug Production

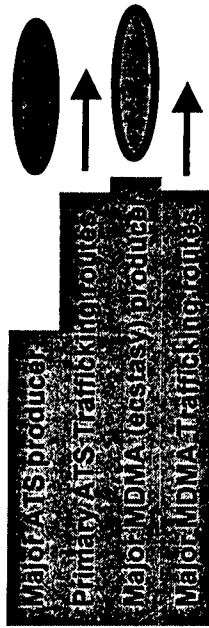
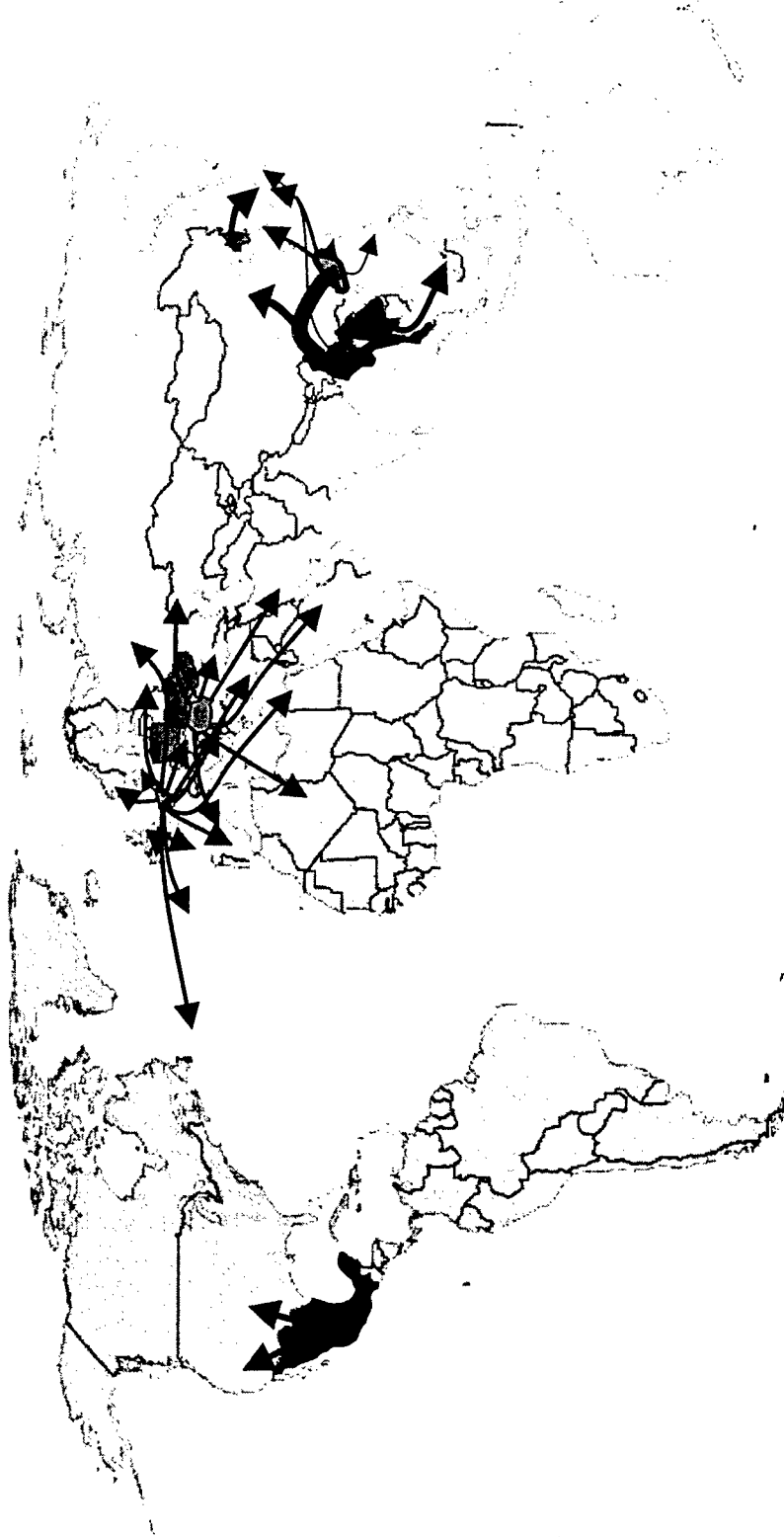


Opium Production

Coca Production



The Synthetics Threat





International Drug Control Strategy

Focus efforts on source countries

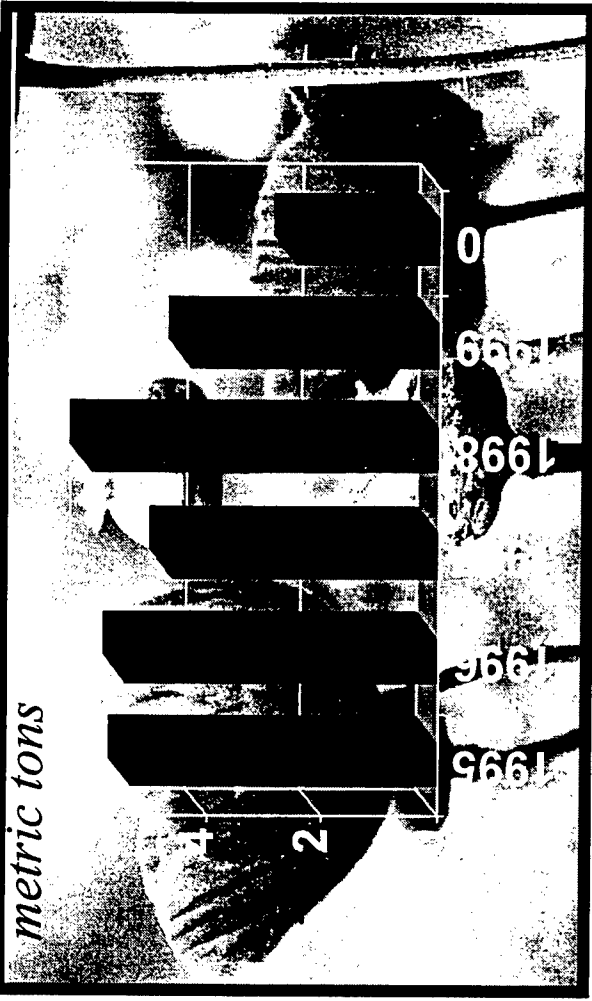
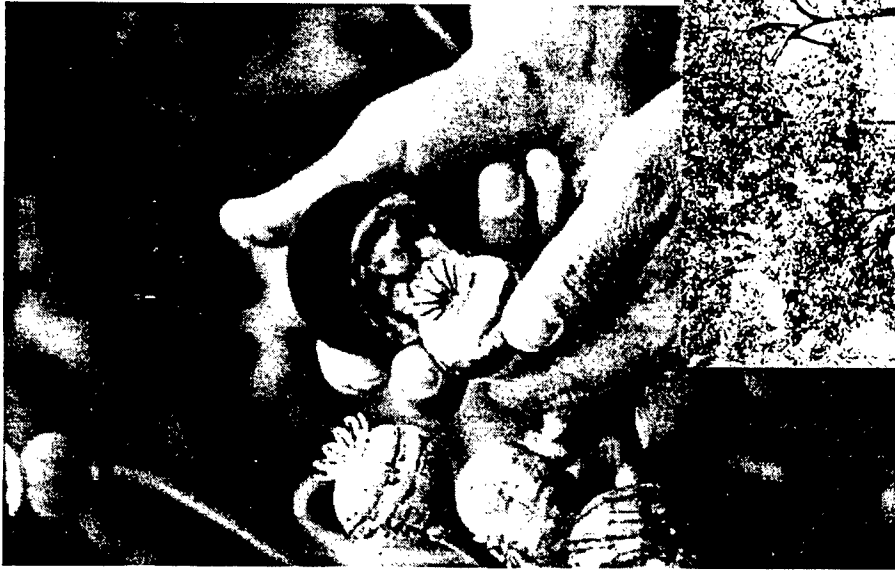
- Bolster source country resources, capabilities, and political will to:
 - Reduce cultivation
 - Attack production
 - Disrupt & dismantle trafficking organizations
- Assist host nations to:
 - Expand effective law enforcement control over growing areas
 - Reestablish the rule of law
 - Eliminate illegal drug crops

While also seeking to...

- Interdict drug shipments
- Maximize intelligence support
- Support democracy and safeguard human rights
 - Fight drug-related corruption
 - Build international cooperation



Mexico: Opium poppy at record low

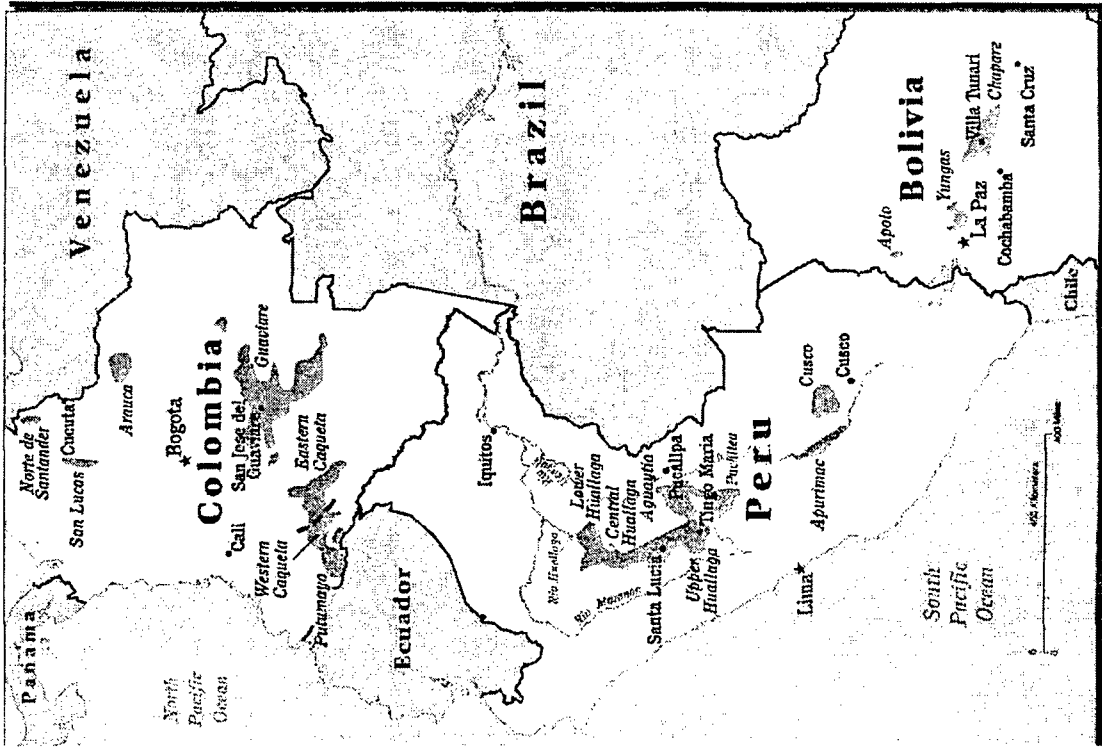


A second year of drought and a continuing aggressive eradication plagued the regions' narcotics farmers

- Crop fell nearly 50 percent to 1,900 ha
- Military plays key role in eradication effort



Source Zone Strategy is Working in Bolivia and Peru



Effect of eradication, interdiction and alternative development evident

✓ In Peru cocaine production is down 68 percent since 1995

✓ In Bolivia production is down 82 percent since 1995

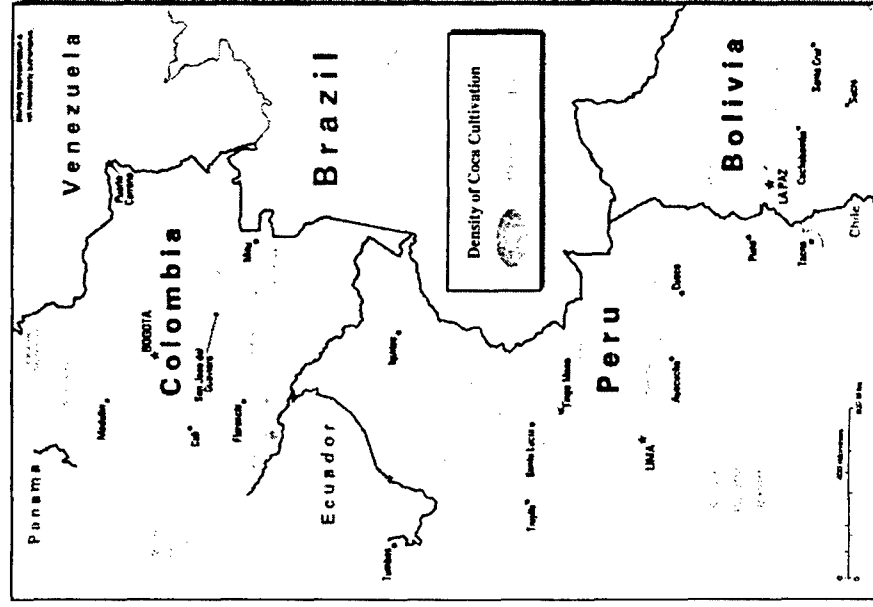
Source: DCI Crime and Narcotics Center imagery-based drug crop estimates

ONDCP June 26, 2000



Common Elements of CD successes in Peru and Bolivia

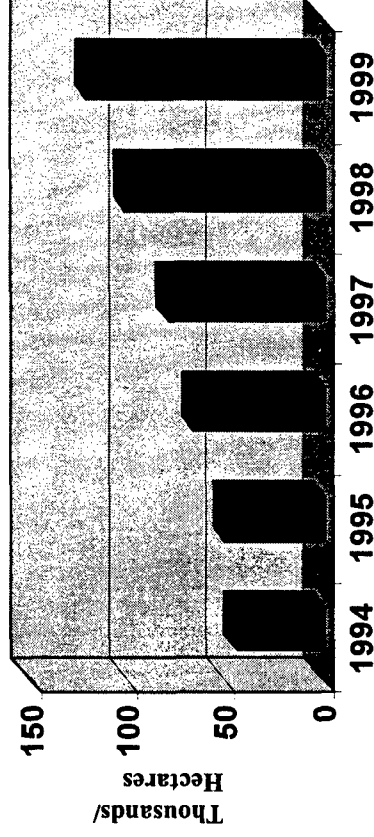
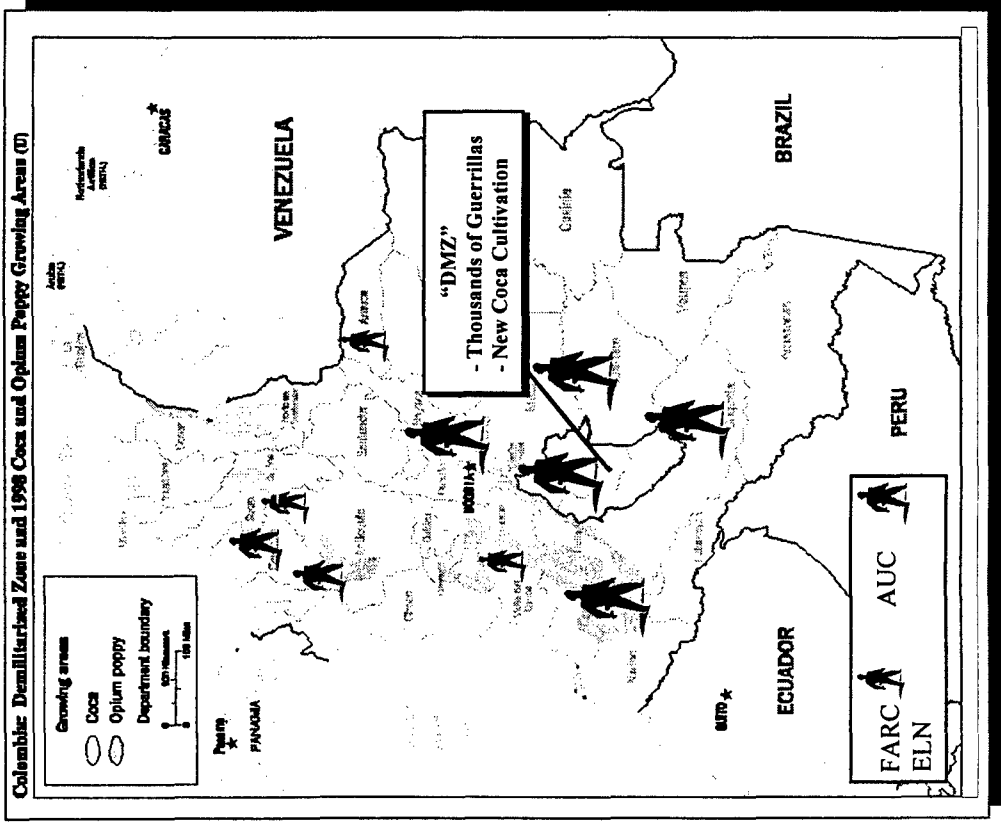
COCA



- ⇒ Increased Government Presence/Control of growing region
- ⇒ Law enforcement/interdiction programs to disrupt the industry
- ⇒ Crop control programs
 - Alternative development
 - Eradication



Colombia's Interlocking Problems Resulting in Dramatic Drug Increase



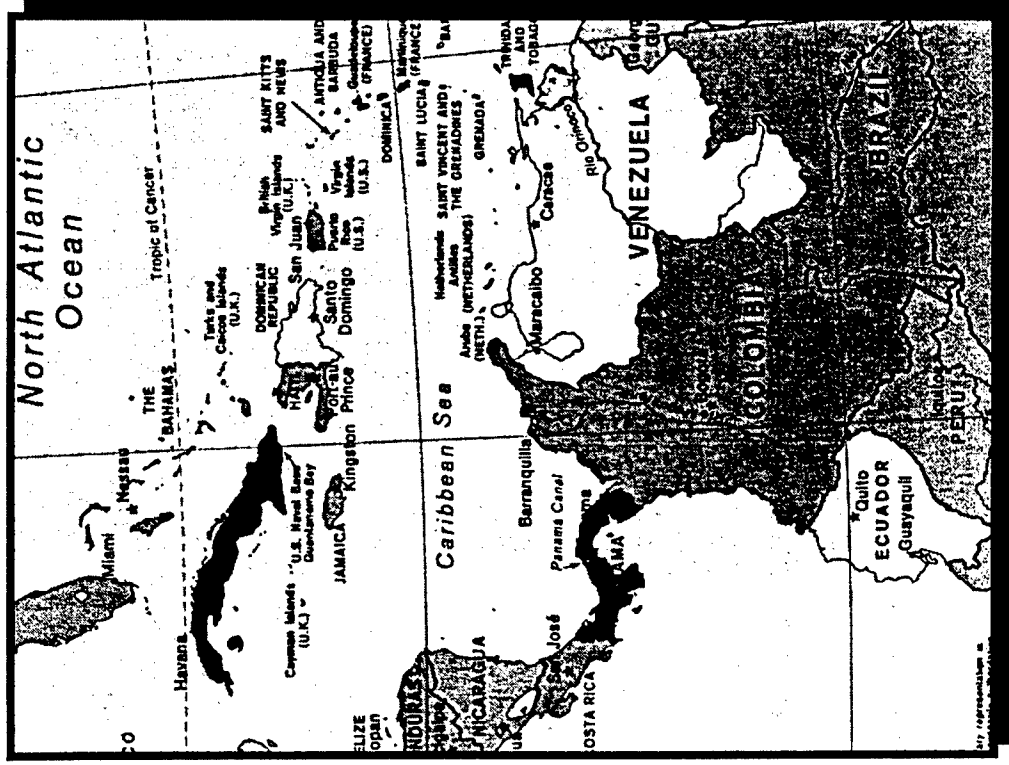
In February 2001, CNC is again expected to report a significant increase in Colombian Cocaine Production

- Cultivation and production areas controlled by guerrillas and paramilitaries
- Drug trade funding outlaw groups responsible for violence, internal conflict, and human rights violations
- Peace process at risk as long as drug profits are high
- Guerrilla and paramilitary battles to control rural areas causing massive internal displacement
- Economy crippled by violence and uncertainty
- Emigration/capital flight by educated middle class



Integrated Regional Solution Required

- Initiative calls for significant increases in funding -- \$1.3 Billion over two years
- Solution is regional in scope with emphasis on Colombia -- the center of gravity
 - Interdiction/eradication operations in drug producing regions
 - Will require additional security
 - Alternative Economic Developments
 - Strengthen Democratic Institutions
 - Continued support for Bolivia
 - Increased support for Ecuador
 - Defense's Forward Operating Locations are key





Colombia/Andean Region Initiative

Boost Governing Capacity - \$122 million

- Human Rights Protection
- Administration of Justice Programs
- Security for Witnesses, Judges and Prosecutors
- Investigative Training

Alternative Economic Development

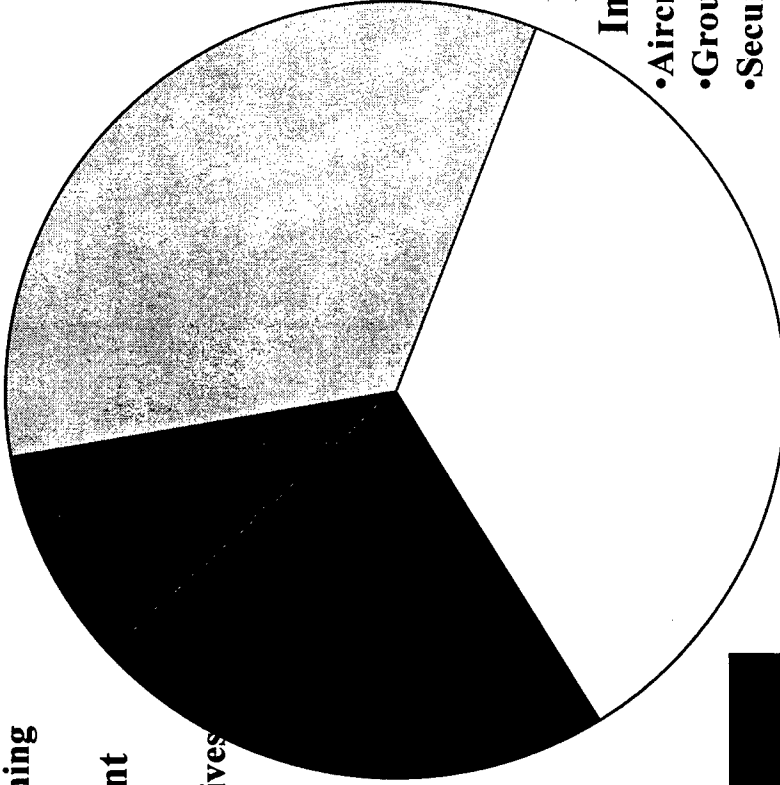
\$174 million

- Voluntary Eradication/Licit Alternatives
- Local Government Strengthening
- Support for Internally Displaced
- Bolivia (\$85 million)
- Ecuador (\$8 million)

Colombian National Police

Support - \$116 million

- 2 BlackHawk Helos
- 12 Huey II Helos
- Upgrade Existing Aircraft
- Spray Aircraft
- Training



Implementing Initiative in the South - \$442 million

- Train & Equip 2 CN BNs
- 14 BlackHawk Helos
- 15 UH-1N Helos
- 30 Huey II Helos
- Intel Support
- Force Protection
- Secure Communications
- \$25 M in Alt Development

Drug Trafficking Interdiction - \$466 million

- Aircraft and Airfield Upgrades
- Ground Based Radar
- Secure Communications
- Bolivia, Ecuador, Peru, Others
- FOLs (Manta, Aruba, Curaçao)



Impact of Initiative on US Interests - The National Security/Drug Nexus-

Counterdrug Operations in Southern Colombia



- Reduce Global supply of cocaine & heroin
- Address source of regional instability

Boost Government Capacity



- Strengthen democracy and rule of law
- Enable long-term solution

Support Economic Recovery



- Reduce future dependence on US Aid
- Re-establish growth in key South American economy

Assist the Peace Process



- Reduce funding for insurgency
- Peacefully resolve longest continuous conflict in Western Hemisphere

Regional Initiatives



- Expand regional CD cooperation
- Avoid displacement of drug industry to other countries in the region



Successful Supply Reduction effort in Source zone requires a balanced strategy



Interdiction

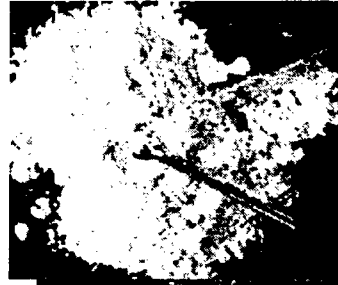
- Requires a comprehensive approach - surface, air, riverine, maritime
- Disrupt trafficking patterns
- Lower farmgate prices
- Isolate growing areas: drugs, chemicals, money, criminal contacts, and labor

Law Enforcement

- Put criminal elements at risk
- Synergy between governmental, military, police and private efforts



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Powder cocaine



Eradication

- Eliminate illegal coca cultivation
- Raise cost of illegal growing activity

Alternative Development

- Provide alternatives to the growers
- Redirect local economies



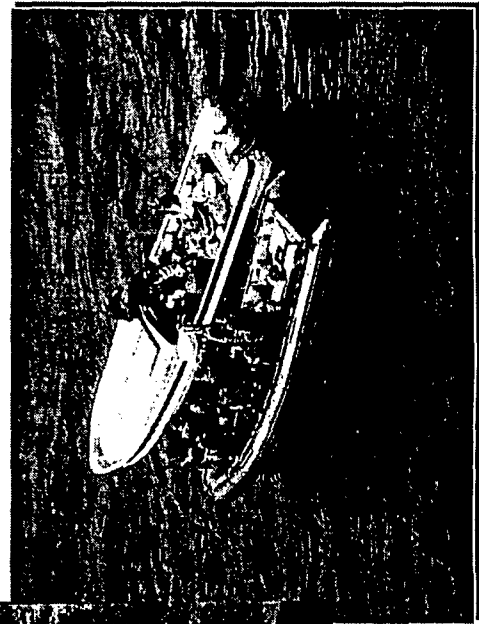
Role of U.S. Military in Source Zone



- Provide Planning Support
- Assist in Training
 - CD Bn(s)
 - Riverine
 - Helicopter/Maintenance
 - Intelligence
- Provide Detection & Monitoring Support
- Maintain Forward Operating Locations



Role of U.S. Military in Transit Zone



- Coordinate intelligence and asset allocation
 - JIATF-East & West
- Support Law Enforcement
 - LE Det's
- Assist in Training
- Provide Detection & Monitoring Support
- Maintain Forward Operating Locations